



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police

Date: 8/20/20

Traffic Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit

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Ext:

Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash

Date: 8/18/20

Time: 9:36 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: Westerville Rd. & Agler Rd.

Zone: 4

Precinct: 2

Incident Report #: 200620395

Cruiser District: 22

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Incident Summary: On 8/18/2020, at approximately 9:36 PM, Mr. Steven Gales, 40, of Woodsedge Ct., was traveling southbound on Westerville Rd. at Agler Rd. in a 2002 Chevrolet Trailblazer. While driving southbound, Mr. Gales entered the northbound lane of Westerville Rd. A second vehicle, a 2007 Toyota Camry, driven by Mr. John Doe, was traveling northbound on Westerville Rd. approaching Agler Rd. and was struck head-on by Mr. Gales' vehicle. Mr. Gales also swerved back into the southbound lane and struck a second 2007 Toyota Camry traveling southbound, driven by Mr. Abdulatem Maxamad, 21, of Omega Dr.

Mr. Doe was transported by EMS to Riverside Methodist Hospital, where he was pronounced dead shortly after arrival.

Mr. Gales was transported by EMS to Riverside Methodist Hospital, where he was treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

Mr. Maxamad was evaluated at the scene by EMS and no transport was necessary.

The Accident Investigation Unit responded and initiated an investigation, which is ongoing.

To date in 2020, Columbus has had 41 fatal traffic crashes resulting in 43 fatalities.

Mr. Doe's identity has not yet been confirmed.

***Update - "John Doe" driver has now been identified as Mr. Amin Hamud Amin (35) of Deserette Ct.

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